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SUPER-PLANE

New Rochelle: Has anyone given a word of credit to the Eisenhower Administration for the jet interceptor plane, A-11, recently revealed by LBJ? I happen to recall that JFK was not the President of the U. S. A. in 1959, when this project is reported to have begun.

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Martinsville, N. J.: A few questions: If Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Curtis LeMay was aware of this Lockheed A-11 from its 1959 inception, why did he go before the Senate Armed Services Committee and request money to develop a new, manned interceptor fighter? If the A-11 will perform as reported by President Johnson, why continue designing the General Dynamics TFX fighter, with maximum speed 250 m.p.h. less than the A-11? How does Defense Secretary McNamara justify his turning down the Boeing TFX fighter design in part because it used titanium, when he knew full well that A-11 used this material in large measure?

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